# Medical Supplies and Equipment

#### **General Payment Policies**

- MAA reimburses providers for certain medical supplies and equipment (MSE) dispensed from their offices when these items are considered prosthetics and are used for a client's permanent condition (see the list beginning on page K.2).
- Most MSE used to treat a client's temporary or acute condition are considered incident to a provider's professional services and are bundled in the office visit reimbursement (see list beginning on page K.2). MAA reimburses providers separately for only those MSE listed beginning on page K.4.
- MAA does not reimburse providers separately for surgical trays, as these are bundled
  within the appropriate surgical procedure. The fees for these procedures include the cost
  of the surgical trays.
- Procedure codes for MSE that do not have a maximum allowable fee and cost less than \$50.00 are reimbursed at acquisition cost. A manufacturer's invoice must be maintained in the client's records for MSE under \$50.00 and made available to MAA upon request.
   DO NOT send in an invoice with your claim for MSE under \$50.00 unless requested by MAA.
- Procedure codes for MSE that do not have a maximum allowable fee and cost \$50.00 or more are reimbursed at acquisition cost. You must attach a copy of the manufacturer's invoice to your claim for MSE costing \$50.00 or more.

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**Note:** To request prior authorization for MSE, write or fax:

Division of Medical Management DME Program Management Unit

PO Box 45506

Olympia, WA 98504-5506

360-586-5299 (fax)

#### **Supplies Included in an Office Call (Bundled Supplies)**

Items with an asterisk (\*) in the following list are considered prosthetics when used for a permanent condition. MAA reimburses providers for these supplies when they are provided in the office for permanent conditions **only**. They are not considered prosthetics if the condition is acute or temporary. Providers must indicate "prosthetic for permanent condition" in the *Comments* section of the claim form.

For example, if a patient has an indwelling Foley catheter for permanent incontinence and a problem develops for which the physician is required to replace the catheter, it is considered a prosthetic and is paid separately. The Foley catheter used to obtain a urine specimen, used after surgery, or used to treat an acute obstruction is not paid separately because it is treating a temporary problem.



**Note:** MAA continues to evaluate and adopt Medicare's Correct Coding Initiative (CCI) policies and edits. Therefore, any procedures or services that are currently bundled by Medicare are bundled by MAA as well.

HCPCS	Brief
Code	Description
A4206	Syringe with needle, sterile 1cc
A4207	Syringe with needle, sterile 2cc
A4208	Syringe with needle, sterile 3cc
A4209	Syringe with needle, sterile 5cc
A4211	Supplies for self-administered injections
A4212	Huber-type needle, each
A4212 A4213	Syringe, sterile, 20 CC or
A4213	greater
A4215	Needles only, sterile, any size
A4220	Refill kit for implantable
	infusion pump
A4244	Alcohol or peroxide, per pint
A4245	Alcohol wipes, per box
A4246	Betadine or phisohex solution,
	per pint
A4247	Betadine or iodine
	swabs/wipes, per box
A4253	Blood glucose test, per 50
	strips
A4256	Normal, low and high cal
	solution/chips
A4258	Spring-powered device for
	lancet, each

HCPCS	Brief
Code	Description
A4259	Lancets, per box of 100
A4262	Temporary lacrimal duct
	implant, each
A4263	Permanent lacrimal duct
	implant, each
A4265	Paraffin, per pound
A4270	Disposable endoscope sheath,
	each
A4300	Implantable access
	partial/catheter
A4301	Implantable access total system
A4305	Disposable drug delivery
	system, flow rate 50 ML or
	more per hour
A4306	Disposable drug delivery
	system, flow rate 5 ML or less
	per hour
A4310	Insertion tray w/o drainage bag
A4311	Insertion tray without drainage
	bag
A4312	Insertion tray without drainage
	bag

HCPCS	Brief
Code	Description

A4313	Insertion tray without drainage bag
A4314	Insertion tray with drainage
A4314	bag
A4315	Insertion tray with drainage
111313	bag
A4316	Insertion tray with drainage
	bag
A4320	Irrigation tray for bladder
A4330	Perianal fecal collection pouch
A4335*	Incontinence supply;
	miscellaneous
A4338*	Indwelling catheter; Foley type
A4340*	Indwelling catheter; Spec type
A4344*	Indwelling catheter; Foley type
A4346*	Indwelling catheter; Foley type
A4347*	Male external catheter
A4351	Intermittent urinary catheter
A4352	Intermittent urinary catheter
A4353	Catheter insert tray with
	cath/tube/bag
A4354	Insertion tray with drainage
	bag
A4355	Irrigation tubing set
A4356*	External urethral clamp device
A4357*	Bedside drainage bag, day or
A 4250¥	night
A4358*	Urinary leg bag; vinyl
A4359*	Urinary suspensory, without leg bag
A4361*	
A4361*	Ostomy faceplate
	Skin barrier; solid, 4 x 4
A4364*	Adhesive for ostomy or
A4365*	catheter
A4305**	Adhesive remover wipes, per
A4367*	Ostomy belt
A4367* A4368*	Ostomy belt Ostomy filter, each
A4308*	Irrigation supply; sleeve
A4397 A4398*	Irrigation supply; bags
A4399*	Irrigation supply; cone/catheter
A4400*	Ostomy irrigation set
A4400*	Lubricant
A4402	Luonean

HCPCS	Brief
Code	Description

A 4 4 0 4 1/2	
A4404*	Ostomy rings
A4421*	Ostomy supply; miscellaneous
A4455	Adhesive remover or solvent
A4465	Non-elastic binder for
	extremity
A4470	Gravlee jet washer
A4480	Vabra aspirator
A4550	Surgical tray
A4556	Electrodes (e.g., apnea
	monitor)
A4557	Lead wires (e.g., apnea
	monitor)
A4558	Conductive paste or gel
A4647	Supply of paramagnetic
	contrast material (e.g.,
	gadolinium)
A4649	Surgical supply; miscellaneous
A5051*	Ostomy pouch, closed; with
	barrier
A5052*	Ostomy pouch, closed; without
11000	barrier
A5053*	Ostomy pouch, closed; use on
11000	faceplate
A5054*	Ostomy pouch, closed; use on
11000	barrier
A5055*	Stoma cap
A5061*	Ostomy pouch, drainable; with
110001	barrier
A5062*	Ostomy pouch, drainable;
113002	without barrier
A5063*	Ostomy pouch, drainable; use
113003	on barrier
A5071*	Pouch, urinary; with barrier
A5071*	Pouch, urinary; without barrier
A5072*	Pouch, urinary; use on barrier
A5073	Continent device; plug
A5081*	Continent device; plug  Continent device; catheter
A5082*	Ostomy accessory; convex
A3033	insert
A5102*	Bedside drainage bottle
A5102*	
A3103.	Urinary supensory; with leg
A 5 1 1 2 *	Limery lead begulater
A5112*	Urinary leg bag; latex

HCPCS	Brief
Code	Description

A5113*	Leg strap; latex, per set
A5114*	Leg strap; foam or fabric
A5119*	Skin barrier; wipes, box per 50
A5121*	Skin barrier; solid, 6 x 6
A5122*	Skin barrier; solid, 8 x 8
A5126*	Adhesive; disc or foam pad
A5131*	Appliance cleaner
A6021	Collagen dressing <=16 sq in
A6022	Collagen drsg>6<=48 sq in

HCPCS	Brief
Code	Description

A6023	Collagen dressing >48 sq in
A6024	Collagen dsg wound filler
A6025	Silicone gel sheet, each
A6154	Wound pouch, each
A6231	Hydrogel dsg <=16 sq in
A6232	Hydrogel dsg>16<=48 sq in
A6233	Hydrogel dressing >48 sq in
99070	Special supplies

## Supplies Reimbursed Separately When Dispensed from a Provider's Office/Clinic

#### **Miscellaneous Supplies**

HCPCS	Brief
Code	Description
A4250	Urine test or reagent strips
A4561	Pessary rubber, any type
A4562	Pessary, nonrubber, any type
A4565	Slings
A4570	Splint
L8615-	Miscellaneous DME supply,
L8622	accessory, and/or service
	component of another HCPCS
	code. (To be used only for
	cochlear implant replacement
	parts. PA is NOT required for
	the replacement parts.)

#### **Casting Materials**

Bill the appropriate HCPCS code (Q4001-Q4049) for fiberglass and plaster casting materials. Do not bill for the use of a cast room. Use of a cast room is considered part of a provider's practice expense.

#### **Metered Dose Inhalers and Accessories**

HCPCS	Brief
Code	Description
A4614	Peak flow meter
A4627	Spacer bag, or reservoir, with/ without mask (for use with
	metered does inhaler)

#### **Inhalation Solutions**

Refer to the fee schedule (Section L) for those specific codes for inhalation solutions that are reimbursed separately.

### Radiopharmaceutical Diagnostic Imaging Agents

Refer to the fee schedule (Section L) for those specific codes for imaging agents that are reimbursed separately.

#### **Miscellaneous Prosthetics & Orthotics**

HCPCS	Brief	
Code	Description	
L0120	Collar-philadelphia child	
L0210	Thoracic, rib belt	
L0220	Thoracic, rib belt, custom	
	fabricated	
L0515	Industrial back support (not	
	covered for scoliosis)	
L1800	Stabiliz knee sleeve-universal	
L1810	Knee brace hinged	
L1815	Roadrunner knee brace	
L1820	Action neoprene brace, knee	
L1830	Knee immobilizer 24"	
	universal	
L1902	Boot-walkabout med/large	
L1906	Canvas ankle brace	
L3030	Hapad metatarsal pad	
L3334	Achilles lift	
L3350	Adjustable peel-off heel lift	
L3360	Achilles heel wedge/west	
	walkr	
L3650	Shoulder abduction pillow	
L3700	Neoprene butress elbow, s-m-l	
L3807	WHFO, extension assist, with	
	inflatable palmer air support,	
	with or without thumb	
	Extension	
L3908	Wrist comfort form all sizes	
L3909	Wrist Orthosis	
L3928	Lmb 504 extension	
L4350	Air support - purple med/large	
L4360	Walker, pneumatic s-m-l <b>PA</b>	
	required.	
L4380	Aircast infrapatellar band	
L4386	Diabetic walker <b>PA required.</b>	
L8000	Post mastedtomy implants bra	
L8010	Breast binder	
L8600	Breast implants	

#### **Urinary Tract Implants**

See important policy limitations for urinary tract implants on page F.24.

HCPCS	Brief	
Code	Description	
L8603	Collagen implant, urinary tract,	
	per 2.5 ml syringe	
L8606	Synthetic implant, urinary	
	tract, per 1 ml syringe	



**Note:** MAA does not reimburse providers for L8603 and L8606 if the implants are done outside the physician's office.

MAA covers the first three (3) implants only, using a combination of L8603 and/or L8606, per client. Each 2.5 ml syringe of L8603 or each 1 ml syringe of L8606 is one implant.

#### **Podiatry and Orthopedic Surgeons**

The following codes are payable only to Podiatrists and Orthopedic Surgeons:

HCPCS	Brief
Code	Description
A5500	Diab shoe for density insert
A5501	Diabetic custom molded shoe
A5503	Diabetic shoe w/roller/rocker
A5504	Diabetic shoe with wedge
A5505	Diab shoe w/metatarsal bar
A5506	Diabetic shoe w/offset heal
	Modification diabetic shoe
A5507	(requires PA)
K0628	Direct heat form shoe insert
	Custom fab molded shoe
K0629	inser
L1902	Boot-walkabout med/large
L1906	Canvas ankle brace
L3000	Ft insert ucb berkeley shell.
	EPA required.

HCPCS	Brief	
Code	Description	
L3030	Foot arch support remov	
	prem. <b>EPA required.</b>	
L3100	Hallus-valgus nght dynamic s	
L3140	Abduction rotation bar shoe	
L3150	Abduct rotation bar w/o shoe	
L3170	Foot plastic foot stabilizer.	
	EPA required.	
L3215	Orthopedic ftwear ladies oxf.	
	EPA required.	
L3219	Orthopedic mens shoes	
	oxford. <b>EPA required.</b>	
L3230	Custom shoes depth inlay.	
	PA required.	
L3310	Shoe lift elev heel/sole neo.	
	EPA required.	
L3320	Shoe lift elev heel/sole cor.	
	EPA required.	
L3334	Shoe lifts elevation heel /i.	
	EPA required.	
L3340	Shoe wedge sach. <b>PA</b>	
	required.	
L3350	Shoe heel wedge. <b>PA</b>	
	required.	
L3360	Shoe sole wedge outside	
	sole. PA required.	
L3400	Shoe metatarsal bar wedge	
	ro. <b>PA required.</b>	
L3410	Shoe metatarsal bar between.	
	PA required.	
L3420	Full sole/heel wedge	
	between. <b>PA required.</b>	
L3430	Shoe heel count plast reinfor	
L4350	Air support – purple	
	med/large	
L4360	Walker, pneumatic s-m-l <b>PA</b>	
	required.	
L4380	Aircast infrapatellar band	
L4386	Diabetic walker <b>PA</b>	
	required.	

## **Injectable Drug Codes**

MAA's fees for injectable drug codes are the maximum allowances used to reimburse covered drugs and biologicals administered in a provider's office. MAA follows Medicare's payment policy to set the maximum allowances.

Effective for dates of service on and after January 1, 2005, MAA adopted Medicare's new drug pricing methodology of 106% of the Average Sales Price (ASP). If a Medicare fee is unavailable for a particular drug, MAA prices the drug at 86% of the Average Wholesale Price (AWP). MAA obtains the AWP for these drugs from Medicare's Single Drug Pricer (SDP). MAA updates the rates each time Medicare's rate is updated, up to once per quarter. Unlike Medicare, the MAA effective dates are based on dates of service, not the date the claim is received. For HCPCS codes where Medicare does not establish a rate, MAA determines the maximum allowances for covered drugs using the following methodology:

- 1. For a single-source drug or biological, the AWP equals the AWP of the single product.
- 2. For a multi-source drug or biological, the AWP is equal to the median AWP of all of the generic forms of the drug or biological, or the lowest brand name product AWP, whichever is less. A "brand-name" product is defined as a product that is marketed under a labeled name that is other than the generic chemical name for the drug or biological.
- 3. After determining the AWP according to #1 and #2 above, MAA multiplies the amount by 0.86 to arrive at the fee schedule maximum allowance.

When billing for injectable drugs and biologicals, providers must use the description of the procedure code to determine the units, and include the correct number of units on the claim form to be reimbursed the appropriate amount. For drugs priced at "acquisition cost," providers must:

- Include a copy of the manufacturer's invoice for each line item in which **billed charges** exceed \$1,100.00; or
- Retain a copy of the manufacturer's invoice in the client's record for each line item in which **billed charges** are equal to or less than \$1,100.00.

Do not bill using unclassified or unspecified drug codes unless there is no specific code for the drug being administered. The National Drug Code (NDC) and dosage given to the client must be included with the unclassified or unspecified drug code for coverage and payment consideration.

#### HCPCS codes J8499 and J8999 for oral prescription drugs are not covered.

Injectable drugs can be injected subcutaneously, intramuscularly, or intravenously. The injectable drugs can be billed only from the provider's office supply. The name, strength, and dosage of the drug must be documented and retained in the client's record.

#### Chemotherapy Drug (J9000-J9998)

- Bill number of units used based on the description of the drug code. For example, if 250 mg of Cisplatin (J9062) is given to the client, the correct number of units is five (5).
- Effective for dates of service on and after January 1, 2005, MAA adopted Medicare's new drug pricing methodology of 106% of the Average Sales Price (ASP). If a Medicare fee is unavailable for a particular drug, MAA continues to price the drug at 86% of the Average Wholesale Price (AWP).

#### **All Other Drugs**

- Bill number of units used based on the description of the drug code. For example, if 20 mg of Hyalgan (J7316) is given to the client, the correct number of units is four (4).
- Claims with HCPCS code J3490 must include the NDC and the amount of the drug administered to the client in the Comments section of the claim form, and must be billed with one unit only.
- Effective for dates of service on and after January 1, 2005, MAA adopted Medicare's new drug pricing methodology of 106% of the Average Sales Price (ASP). If a Medicare fee is unavailable for a particular drug, MAA continues to price the drug at 86% of the Average Wholesale Price (AWP).

Limitations on coverage for certain injectable drugs are listed below:

Procedure Code	Brief Description	Limitation Restricted to ICD-9-CM
J0637	Caspofungin acetate	117.3 (aspergillosis)
J0725	Chorionic gonadotropin/1000u	752.51 (Undescended testis)
J1055	Medroxyprogester acetate inj	Females-only diagnoses V25.02 or
	(depo provera)	V25.3 or V25.49 or V25.9.
		(contraceptive mgmt)
		Males-diagnosis must be related to
		cancer
J1212	Dimethyl sulfoxide 50% 50 ML	595.1 (chronic intestinal cystitis)
J1595	Injection glatiramer acetate	340 (multiple sclerosis)
J1756	Iron sucrose injection	585(chronic renal failure)
J2324	Nesiritide	No diagnosis restriction. Restricted use
		only to cardiologists
J2501	Paricalcitol	585 (chronic renal failure)
J2916	Na ferric gluconate complex	585 (chronic renal failure)
J3420	Vitamin b12 injection	123.4, 151-154.8, 157-157.9, 197.4-
		197.5, 266.2, 281.0-281.3, 281.9, 284.0,
		284.8-284.9, 555.9, 579, 648.2
J3465	Injection, voriconazole	117.3 (aspergillosis)

Procedure	Brief	Limitation
Code	Description	Restricted to ICD-9-CM
J3487	Zoledronic acid	198.5, 203-203.01, and 275.42
		(hypercalcemia)
J9041	Bortezomib injection	203.00-203.01 (multiple myeloma and
		immunoproliferative neoplasms)
Q3025	IM inj interferon beta 1-a	340 (multiple sclerosis)
Q3026	Suc inj interferon beta 1-a	340 (multiple sclerosis)
Q4077	Treprostinil, 1 mg	416-416.9 (chronic pulmonary heart
		disease)

#### **Prior Authorization**

Drugs requiring written/fax prior authorization are noted in the fee schedule with a "PA" next to them. For information on how to request prior authorization, refer to Section I.

#### **Rounding of Units**

The following guidelines should be used to round the dosage given to the client to the appropriate number of units for billing purposes:

#### I. Single-Dose Vials:

For single-dose vials, bill the total amount of the drug contained in the vial(s), including partial vials. Based on the unit definition for the HCPCS code, MAA reimburses providers for the total number of units contained in the vial. **For example:** 

If a total of 150 mg of Etoposide is required for the therapy and two 100 mg single dose vials are used to obtain the total dosage, the total of the two 100 mg vials is reimbursed. In this case, the drug is billed using HCPCS code J9181 (Etoposide, 10 mg). If MAA's maximum allowable fee is \$4.38 per 10 mg unit, the total allowable is \$87.60 (200 mg divided by 10 = 20 units x \$4.38).

#### **II.** Billing for Multi-Dose Vials:

For multi-dose vials, bill **only** the amount of the drug administered to the client. Based on the unit definition (rounded up to the nearest whole unit) of the HCPCS code, MAA reimburses providers for only the amount of drug administered to the client. **For example:** 

If a total of 750 mg of Cytarabine is required for the therapy and is taken from a 2,000 mg multi-dose vial, only the 750 mg administered to the client is reimbursed. In this case, the drug is billed using HCPCS code J9110 (Cytarabine, 500 mg). If MAA's maximum allowable fee is \$23.75 per 500 mg unit, the total allowable is \$47.50 [750 mg divided by 500 = 2 (1.5 rounded) units x \$23.75].

#### III. Unlisted Drugs (J3490 and J9999)

When it is necessary to bill MAA for a drug using an unlisted drug code, providers must report the National Drug Code (NDC) of the drug administered to the client. MAA uses the NDC when unlisted drug codes are billed to appropriately price the claim. Claims *must* include:

- The dosage (amount) of the drug administered to the client;
- The 11-digit NDC of the office-administered drug; and
- One unit of service.

For claims billed using a paper HCFA-1500 claim form, list the required information in field 19 of the claim form.

For claims billed using an electronic HCFA-1500 claim form, list the required information in the *Comments* section of the claim form.

For claims billed using an electronic 837P claim form, list the required NDC information in DRUG IDENTIFICATION Loop 2410, LIN02, and LIN03. List the dosage given to the client in the "*Comment*" section of the claim form.



**Note**: If there is an assigned HCPCS code for the administered drug, providers **must bill** MAA using the appropriate HCPCS code. **DO NOT** bill using an unlisted drug code for a drug that has an assigned HCPCS code. MAA will recoup payment for drugs paid using an unlisted drug code if an assigned HCPCS code exists for the administered drug.

The list of all injectable drug codes and maximum allowable fees are listed in the fee schedule section (Section J).